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**Environmental Captains**- Ariana R for picking up papers without being told to.

**PRINCIPAL’S AWARD** – Charlie C, handing in money he found.

*Junior Gold on excursion to Kirra Hill and students enjoying the disco last week.*

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**Value of the week:** **COOPERATION**

Cooperation is working together for the good of everyone. It is being helpful to one another as when we work together we can often accomplish more than each of us could do if we were doing it on our own. Cooperation requires getting along, keeping the rules, being respectful of each other, and being considerate of other people’s needs. It is working and playing well with others.
Dear Parents & Carers,

Excitement continues to abound this week.

**Gala day today:** We thank Mr Stringer for again organising another great day of friendly competition and sportsmanship in conjunction with PE teachers from participating schools. Gala days are certainly eagerly looked forward to by students aged 10 and above.

**Yr 6 / 7 Camp:** They have been waiting all year long for this event that will provide a lifetime of memories and at last it is here! They leave 5:30 am tomorrow and are away the rest of the week. We wish them a happy and safe time on Moreton Island. We also thank the accompanying teachers, Mrs Ireland, Mr Failes, Ms Edith Saedt, and Mr Stringer, as without their willingness to attend and do all the extra hours and responsibilities that a camp involves, there would be no camp! (Unfortunately Chappy Lisa is now not well and unable to attend but sends her best wishes for a great time)

**Twilight Carnival after school next Wednesday, 18th September.** Each class is busily preparing a stall for the fun of the fair. Thank you parents for committing your support in providing items and for helping on the day. Funds raised at the stall go back to the class to provide items to enhance student learning.

The event gets underway by 3:15 with the bands, choirs and Coollettes performing in the hall. It will conclude with the grand final of Cooly’s Got Talent, 2013 and a scene from our forthcoming musical, The Wizard of OZ, at approx. 5:30 and the draw of the big raffle – tickets on sale only on the day and you have to be there to collect the prize! It is hoped that all families, grandparents, friends and neighbours can attend - so spread the word. This is the school’s major fund raising event of the year and we want it to be a huge success. As you can imagine, teachers and students have lots of resources that they would like and it would be great if we could, as a school community, provide these resources for them. Keep the afternoon free! Please see flier.

**Speechmakers Finals:** Our students continue to do us proud. Tahlia, Sammy, Lochie and Drew did very well at the Cluster Speechmakers last week, with Lochie being awarded an encouragement award – a trophy and a $10 gift voucher from Pines Shopping Centre. In listening to their speeches and that of the other finalists, we grow in admiration at the talent and confidence of our young people. Well done to them and to our school captains who also spoke in public to introduce them.

**Crime Stoppers Competition:** Congratulations to Breanna C who was awarded 6th place and a $100 voucher for her entry in the recent design of a new logo for crime stoppers. Breanna proudly received her award at a special event at the Tugun branch of Bendigo Bank.

**Health warnings:** NSW health is warning of gastroenteritis epidemic currently circulating around the state. This is a timely reminder that at the moment there are a number of viruses about which require us to be extra vigilant with hand washing and covering coughs and sneezes. Whilst every day at school counts, if children are genuinely sick, they need to stay home to recover from the illness to avoid the spread of infection.

**Student Absence:** It is a requirement that all sickness is explained with a valid reason of absence. Please provide the class teacher with a note or phone / email the office. Please provide doctor’s certificates when the absence exceeds 3 days or more. Unfortunately a large number of students, specially in the older grades, have unexplained absences which are monitored and reported on written student reports. If you have neglected to provide reason for absences, it is not too late to do so.

**PRINCIPAL’S PATCH**

**P & C News**

**Twuckshop:** There will be no tuckshop next week. Please make sure your child has lunch and a water bottle at school. Also no tuckshop first week back from holidays 10th & 11th October.

**Twilight Carnival:** 3:00pm – 6:00pm 18th September. We are looking for some helpers to run our sausage sizzle on the night. Please leave name & number at the tuckshop with Debbie if you can help out.

**Chappy Chat – Chappy Lisa**

- There will be NO GO CLUB this week (12th Sept) as I will be away unwell.
- On Friday I sent home an invitation to Yr 7 girls for an “Empowered Event” – a night of celebration and honour, being run by the chaplains of southern Gold Coast state schools on the evening of 17th October. This is the first of what we hope to be an annual event. A great opportunity for the girls to be encouraged, pampered, hang out with each other and meet girls from other schools they may see at their new high school. The event is being hosted by C3 Church at Currumbin but will not be a religious event. Please return note and money by the end of term.
- Likewise an “Empowered Event” for boys is being planned for November 2nd. More details to come early Term 4.

**Library / ICT News: Mrs Marshall**

Congratulations to all the students who handed in their Premier Readers Challenge record. We are very proud of your reading achievement. The 2013 Premier readers challenge has now closed, students will receive their certificates later in the year. Thank you to all the students who have returned their overdue books. This week is the last week for borrowing before the holidays. All library books must be returned by Thursday 19th September.

**P & C News**

**P-3 SWIMMING LESSONS STARTING WK 2 TERM 4**

$10 PER WEEK FOR 8 WEEKS PLEASE START PAYING NOW.

All Outstanding Resource fees now due!

**Lost Property:** End of term is fast approaching. Please claim belongings from the trolley outside the office. Many items are school jumpers, unfortunately with no name marked on to indicate owner.

**Coolangatta State School**

**Parent Information Sessions for Prep 2014**

**Wednesday 16 October, 11:30 am or 5:30pm**

For students turning 5 by 30 June, 2014.

Enrolment packs available at the meeting.

Coolangatta State School - providing the best start for students that we can.

**DENTAL VAN NEWS**

Please take note The Mobile Dental Clinic Coolangatta State School on September 26. Please be sure to contact the call centre on 1300 9550 or 5680 9550 if you require an appointment. Monday to Friday 8:00am-4:30pm excluding Public Holidays.

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Middle Purple: Mr Stringer & Mrs Cecil
Today our year 5 students are at Firth Park at Mudgeeraba for our Term 3 Gala Sports Day. We wish them all the best and focus is participation, fun and fair play for the event! Congratulations to Mr Craig who successfully completed his prac last Friday! We might be lucky enough to see him around the school in Term 4 doing a prac in another class. Middle Purple have been studying part-part-whole relationships in maths as we use the jump strategy. Also, students have been measuring using various units of measure. During English, students have completed their multi-modal narratives and have begun exploring characters in narrative poems analysing noun groups, verbs, adverbs and adjectives.

Senior Purple & Senior Green : Mrs Ireland & Mr Failes
The next few weeks are extremely busy for Senior G/P. Tomorrow 11/09 we are leaving for school camp. Please meet at the hall at 5:10am for a 5:20am departure. Anyone who misses the bus is responsible for making their own way to Brisbane. Any student who chooses to bring a small fishing rod must have it in two pieces with rubber bands holding it together tightly. Fishing rods are not a necessary item and will only be used if we have a little bit of down time in the afternoon. Mr Failes will supply all bait. The first Monday 16/09 back we will be going to the Swell festival and Currumbin Wildlife Sanctuary. There are some students that are still to pay their $8 which covers the bus to and from the excursion. We still need some parent volunteers to join us for the excursion. If you are available to help on the day, please see Mrs Ireland or Mr Failes by Friday 13/9. Twilight carnival is on the following Wednesday 18/9, thank you to all the families who brought in treats for our Tombola and Guess the Jar stand. In week 11 we are also holding parent teacher interviews. If you would like an interview please return the note handed out on Monday with your preferred times.

Middle Blue: Mrs McEwan
Middle Blue are getting ready for the Twilight Festival to held on Wednesday afternoon next week. We really need a small gold coin donation from all students in the class please to cover the cost of materials for our stall, thank you in advance for your contribution. We will be offering two activities for the community to participate in: Buy or make your own rock pet and a toss the coin to win game. If you are available to help at our class stall, please let me know what time between 3:00 and 5:30pm via email: amcew26@eq.edu.au or a quick note handed in at class. Lots of fun will be had by everyone.

Junior Gold: Miss Cronin
Junior Gold had a great time at the Kirra Hill Community Centre last Tuesday. Mrs Burnett shared so much history of the original school - why the school started, what daily classroom life was like, changes that have occurred over the years, lunchtimes and athletics carnival. We experienced old desks, viewed school equipment from the past and completed an information booklet with the school timeline, information relating to Headmasters, the 2 model ships, even old school bags. We also walked around Kirra Hill and viewed the natural environment and this week we viewed photos of Kirra Beach and the Pavilion and how the landscape has changed. We are all studying local buildings and environment as we are now preparing a talk about our community.

Junior Green: Miss Alycia O’Callaghan
It’s week ten already! Students are exploring Australian coins this week. They will recognise cent and dollar values and be able to sort coins according to their features. Students will also order coins according to their value. Practice when you are at the shops this week.

Junior Purple: Mrs Winder & Mrs Waldon
Thank you to all parents who have sent back their notes indicating how many jars and/or prizes they are able to donate for the twilight fair. We appreciate your time and efforts very much. Students enjoyed a Chinese cultural story this week called ‘The Four Dragons’. They also wrote a re-tell about the story. Students also enjoyed an art lesson using water colours this week.

Junior Orange: Ms. Schmida
It’s spring time. We are continuing our weather watch and investigating how the change in weather affects plant and human/animal life. The Oranges have engaged with the story “Waddle Giggle Gargle” by Pamela Allen and have been wandering the school grounds with their ‘maggie scarer’ to observe our surroundings using our 5 senses. The oranges have discovered a nest high up in a tree and we have learned that birds use swooping behaviours during nesting time. Please be careful for the next 8 weeks.

Senior Blue: Mrs Keil
On Tuesday 17th September Senior Blue will be having their class reward afternoon. The students that have not been to Reflection, Buddy Class or needed continual rule reminders in class this term will participate. This week the Year 6 and 7 students will also be on camp from Wednesday to Friday. Interview notes go home this week. Please indicate 3 convenient times that you are available for a 10 minute conference. I will do my best to give you your 1st preference.

Junior Blue: Mrs Calder
Students are working at creating sentence starters which include similes. This is certainly making them think outside the square and be creative. The next two weeks are going to be busy completing assessment tasks in all areas. These are important for students to see how they have progressed and also to help with grouping students for the next stage of instruction.

Junior Red: Mr Vogel
Junior Red are enjoying their English Lessons, reading and writing fantastic adventure narratives. The descriptive language being used is wonderful, well done everyone. Maths has been a tough week with lots of reminders to count on/ count back/ borrow when completing subtraction sums. Next week our class will be hosting a Money Pool stall at the school's Twilight Carnival. The stall is easy to run (as long as you can double and triple money amounts) and is lots of fun. If any Parents can volunteer 15 minutes of their time during the carnival it would be greatly appreciated, just drop around. Finally if you have a blow up or free standing kids pool (about 2m in diameter) that we could use, please let Mr Vogel know.

HPE: Mr Stringer
Last Friday Coolangatta played South Tweed SS in our annual State of Origin League and Netball fixture. The games were played with a high level of enthusiasm and fair play and behaviour to and from the event was exemplary. This year both Coolangatta teams won their games and we congratulate all the participants on both their performance and excellent behaviours! Look out for 2014 fixture for Tweed South to get us back!! Special mention to Zayde, Kyle and Tyson for exchanging jerseys on the day for even teams. To all the parents and caregivers who attended as well as Jack for always helping with coaching along with Alice/Jodie for Netball. Today the year 5/6/7 students are at Firth park at Mudgeeraba for our Term 3 Gala Sports Day. We wish them all the best and focus is participation, fun and fair play for the event! Thank you to all coaches for your time with coaching and compiling teams etc for this day. Next term is almost here with school surfing again on offer for year 5/7, more information soon. Don’t forget junior swimming – please return permission forms.